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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 04/14/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-7,9-13 and 15-18.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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9. ☐ Other _____


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Allowance

Claims 1,3-7,9-13, 15-18 are allowed

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art references most closely resembling the applicant's claimed invention are Bhatt et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,405,191) and Gharachorloo et al., (U.S. Patent No. 6,738,868).

First Bhatt discloses use of the Array of Rules including a plurality of expressions joined by disjunctive operators use of the Array of Rules including a plurality of expressions joined by disjunctive operators, such as the "OR" operator. However Bhatt did not disclose, "the binary decision diagram implication graph including a plurality of nodes expressing each information request criteria in an-if-else normal form, the nodes being evaluated until a logical true or false node is reached" (Claims 1,7,13). The Array of Rules is not a binary decision diagram implication graph including a plurality of nodes expressing each information request criteria in an if-then-else normal form.

Second Gharachorloo discloses, when a transaction needs to send two or more messages to other nodes in the system. The scheduler is able to determine whether the current Even (or Odd) transaction should be scheduled to execute again during the next Even (or Odd) clock cycle by inspecting the state, counters and condition codes in the TSRF of the currently executing transaction to determine if they satisfy predefined criteria for continuing execution of the current transaction for an additional execution cycle but is

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silent to binary decision diagram. Therefore Gharachorloo fail to disclose, “the binary decision diagram implication graph including a plurality of nodes expressing each information request criteria in an-if-else normal form, the nodes being evaluated until a logical true or false node is reached” (Claims 1,7,13).

In summary, the Examiner submits that neither Bhatt nor Gharachorloo teaches all the limitations of the independent claims in combination with other elements. Specifically prior art does not teach, “the binary decision diagram implication graph including a plurality of nodes expressing each information request criteria in an-if-else normal form, the nodes being evaluated until a logical true or false node is reached” there is no motivation to combine the aforementioned references; therefore, claims 1,3-7,9-13, 15-18 have been deemed allowable over the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Adnan Mirza whose telephone number is (571)-272-3885.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday during normal business hours. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner’s supervisor, Jason Cardone can be reached on (571)-272-3933. The fax for this group is

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(703)-746-7239. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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